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John asked me at 4 PM if there were any grass cutting jobs at Maplewood. He did ^{or} became he and I were mowing down Main Street and Peter Suchnick stopped and said that they were about to begin the cutting for the fourth of July, and one of his men was not available. I told him that I would speak with Suchnick at 6 PM. At 4:30 PM John went to his mother's store and I prepared myself for a work session in Maplewood Cemetery. I would cut brush while Suchnick's crew mowed grass. At 6 PM I arrived and Suchnick appeared. We chatted for about 20 minutes. I told him that John wanted some work and we agreed that John would be offered a job cutting brush and bamboo down -- at the minimum wage -- \$3.50/hour, Suchnick suggested. If John accepts the offer, I will make sure that he gets at least \$4.00 per hour. I will, at the same time, work along with him as he works. During my two-hour brush cutting session in Maplewood Cemetery tonight, I did lots of active, physical work. At the same time, my mind was racing along at high speed. Very exhilarating! I made the following decisions as I worked:

- 1) John will be offered the Cemetery job tomorrow
- 2) the Maplewood Cemetery Association -- perhaps in conjunction with the Historical Society -- will sponsor a July 4th ceremony, in honor of the 7,000 persons interred in the Cemetery, and the ceremony will be held in the Cemetery at 11 AM on July 4th.
- 3) I will call Councilman Greco and offer my services to help implement a flag program for Main Street that Greco proposed at Monday's Council Meeting.
- 4) After the brush cutting job is over in Maplewood, I will ask John if he would like to be my research assistant for the summer --